

## Annual Convention 2022 Fam Trip Options

Buyers are invited to attend one of two overnight fam trips taking place from Friday 30 September – Saturday 1 October.

A half day fam trip will take place on the morning of Friday 30 September, open to both buyers and suppliers, and will include a Street Art Tour and a visit to Aberdeen Art Gallery.

### Buyers Familiarisation Trip: Option 1

#### Day 1

##### **Drum Castle**

Experience over 700 years of history at one of Scotland's oldest tower houses.

##### **Aberdeenshire Highland Cattle**

A local farmer, Grace Noble, offers tours of her farm, sharing experiences of the iconic native breed.

##### **Banchory Lodge**

Serving locally sourced, seasonal food in a relaxed setting.

##### **Royal Lochnagar Distillery**

This whisky has been enjoyed by the Royal Family ever since Queen Victoria and Prince Albert took the first distillery tour in 1848.

##### **Highland Games Centre**

Located in the Cairngorms National Park, offering a fascinating exhibition.

##### **Balmoral Arms**

A newly launched inn, which sits in the heart of the Victorian village of Ballater.

##### **Ardoe House**

A 19<sup>th</sup> century baronial mansion is a perfect destination for business or leisure.

#### Day 2

##### **Donnottar Castle**

A dramatic, ruined cliff top fortress – once home of the Earl Marischal.

##### **Gordon Highlander Museum**

A 5-star VisitScotland visitor attraction, which tells the story of the Gordon Highlanders Regiment.

##### **Chester Hotel**

Set in the heart of Aberdeen's fashionable west end, the hotel has 72 luxurious bedrooms and suites.

##### **Aberdeen Art Gallery**

A collection of over 700 years, designed by Alexander Marshall Mackenzie, the gallery opened in 1885.



## Buyers Familiarisation Trip: Option 2

### Day 1

#### **Peterhead Prison Museum**

A 5-star VisitScotland visitor attraction – an immerse experience where you walk through 125 years of history of 'Scotland's Toughest Jail'.

#### **Meldrum House Hotel**

A tour of 13<sup>th</sup> century manor house, combining centuries of history with the latest in luxury.

#### **Fyvie Castle**

An 800-year-old fortress and a fine example of Scottish Baronial Architecture.

#### **Barra Berries**

Run by husband and wife, Barra is synonymous with family, quality and local produce.

#### **Glen Garioch Distillery**

One of the oldest operating distilleries in Scotland, has been making its malt whisky since 1797.

#### **Thainstone House Hotel**

An overnight stay at a 18th century grand family mansion, transformed into a country house.

### Day 2

#### **Castle Fraser**

One of Scotland's largest tower houses, with an impressive portrait collection.

#### **Residence Inn by Marriott (Hotel Showround)**

Contemporary haven for on-the-go-traveller, placed in the city centre.

#### **The Sandman Hotel (Hotel Showround)**

Situated in the former Robert Gordon University with 218 fully appointed guest rooms, including a brand-new Signature Spa.

#### **Aberdeen Art Gallery**

Its collection spans over 700 years and includes a staggering range of works by artists, designers and makers.

All familiarisation trips will end at Aberdeen Airport at around 14:00pm.

\*All itineraries are subject to change.

